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MASSACHUSETTS STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

NOVEMBER 8, 2012 MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: LaTeisha Adams, Gary Litchfield, Guy Licciardi and Joe Esposito.

The meeting convened at 11:06am.

- Reviewed and approved minutes from October 11, 2012 (2-1 LaTeisha abstained).
- The suspension list from October 20, 2012 was approved (3-0).
- Ronald Thompson, Jr. (Battle Extreme) two additional fighters have come forward to say their checks have been returned. One was a grappling event that the Commission did not sanction and the other was a fighter whose bout was cancelled. The administrative staff will work with Carrie in legal to send notice to the Attorney General's office.
- John Downey was not approved to fight on the Cage Titan's event November 10, 2012. The Coutier vs Mellen bout was approved (3-1, Joe Esposito opposed).
- Any time there is loss of consciousness of a fighter the fight will be stopped, approved (4-0). There will be a mandatory suspension of 30 days if someone is choked-out/unconscious during a fight, approved (4-0). After further review and discussion the Commission has decided to overturn the decision on the Christie vs. Baxter MMA bout on April 20, 2012, at the Hu Ke Lau Showroom. The Commission approved the decision to be a no contest (3-1 Joe Esposito opposed).
- Thirty day medical requirement was tabled.
- Blood work six month requirement was tabled.
- MMA Record Keeping-Promoters Fees - staff will notify Chris Palmquist to attend the next MSAC meeting.
- Approved the November 9, 2012 fight card (4-0).
- New Business-Gloves need to be inspected before and after bouts. Weight of gloves need to be printed in all gloves.

The Chief Deputy pre-fight speech needs to be revised to include that fighters must remain in the dressing rooms before fighting. Ryan Parker will put this in writing and send to the administrative staff.

For the record the audio recorder was off until 11:57am.
The meeting adjourned at 12:47pm.